## **Risk Assessment – Wellington Town Council**

**Event: Armed Forces Day Celebration Event Date: Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2023** 

Location: Wellington Recreation Ground, Courtland Road, Wellington

ACTIVITY	HAZARD	RISK	PERSONS INVOLVED	CONTROL MEASURES (Inc statutory requirements)	Estimation of Risk
Vehicle movement during set- up/take down	The Recreation Ground will remain be open for set-up. vehicles are moving around while Event Contributors will be setting up.	Injury from vehicle collision	Vehicle drivers     Event contributors	<ul> <li>All event vehicles to be met at park entrance on arrival and escorted to designated location by event marshal.</li> <li>On-site speed limit of 5mph to be enforced by stewards; drivers to be briefed by steward on arrival and deploy hazard warning lights whilst moving.</li> <li>Event Contributors to deploy hazard warning lights whilst moving.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Severity of hazard – LOW</li> <li>Impact – LOW</li> <li>Risk Level - LOW</li> </ul>
Attendance at the event	Adverse weather – extreme precipitation/cold/wind	Injury or illness sustained due to extreme rainfall/precipitati on (hypothermia; slips and trips on saturated ground)  Flying debris/gazebos being blow over	<ul> <li>Event staff</li> <li>Members of the public</li> <li>Event contributors</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pre-event communications to advise personnel to come prepared for unpredictable British weather; to bring waterproofs, warm clothing etc.</li> <li>Event to be cancelled in the event of extreme weather conditions.</li> <li>Event staff and contributors to be advised via pre-event communications to exercise caution on site in the event of extreme weather conditions</li> <li>First Aid available</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Severity of hazard – MED</li> <li>Impact – MED</li> <li>Risk Level - LOW</li> </ul>
Implementing the event on show-day as planned	Unforeseen illness or circumstances affect a key member of staff during show-week	Loss of key member of staff from event organising team	Key event staff / organising team	<ul> <li>Event planning is being undertaken by WTC staff members; each team member is well versed in the event plan, deputies for key roles have been identified</li> <li>Key event documents are available to all event organising staff for reference and guidance</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Severity of hazard – LOW</li> <li>Impact – MED</li> <li>Risk Level - LOW</li> </ul>

Traffic Management and access to show ground	Vehicle movements	Collisions with other vehicles and pedestrians, unsafe behaviours (e.g., rushing and frustration of road users)	<ul> <li>Event staff</li> <li>Event attendees</li> <li>Event contributors</li> <li>Members of the public</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Hand-held radios to be held by Day Manager and nominated marshals</li> <li>Day Manager and Event Staff to notify Emergency Services.</li> <li>Marshals will be briefed on how to handle aggressive or confrontational behaviour, Police will be called to assist as deemed appropriate.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Severity of hazard – MED</li> <li>Impact – HIGH</li> <li>Risk Level - MED</li> </ul>
Set-up of event equipment	Equipment failure     Moving of heavy equipment	<ul> <li>Injury from manual handling</li> <li>Injury from sharp edges</li> <li>Pinching injury from failed temporary structures</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Event staff</li> <li>Event attendees</li> <li>Event contributors</li> <li>Park users</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Relevant RAMS (risk assessment/method statement) documentation to be submitted to organisers by contributors, in confirmation of the above.</li> <li>First Aid on site</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Severity of hazard – LOW</li> <li>Impact – LOW</li> <li>Risk - LOW</li> </ul>
Implementation of an outdoor event	Acts of terrorism	Injury or death from bombing or marauding, armed individuals	Event staff     Event attendees     Event contributors	<ul> <li>Threat levels and mitigation measures discussed and agreed with Avon and Somerset Police. Ongoing monitoring, action, and advice from our event partners A&amp;S Police.</li> <li>Event staff briefed to remain vigilant by looking out for and reporting suspicious items and/or behaviour.</li> <li>Police actively involved in surveillance of the event.</li> <li>Police to be called upon to act in the event of suspicious activity persisting or escalating.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Severity of hazard – MED</li> <li>Impact – MED</li> <li>Risk Level - MED</li> </ul>
Last-minute cancellation of the event	Adverse weather forecast     Unforeseen / unprecedented incident/ circumstances	Reputational damage to Council     High level of complaints from potential event attendees	The Council  Members of the public/potential event attendees  Event organisers  Contributors /suppliers	<ul> <li>Event contributors, staff, and suppliers to be notified first, directly by event organisers, in the event of cancellation.</li> <li>Weather forecast to be monitored daily during the week ahead of the event; any cancellation due to adverse weather to be communicated to the public as soon as practicably possible via social media channels.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Severity of hazard – LOW</li> <li>Impact – LOW</li> <li>Risk Level LOW</li> </ul>

				<ul> <li>Follow-up communications to be issued by The Council post event to dispel any myths or rumours concerning the cancellation.</li> </ul>	
Set-up and removal of Platforms & public address system and furniture	<ul> <li>Lifting of heavy furniture and equipment</li> <li>Loose cables</li> </ul>	Minor injury     Slips, trips, and falls	<ul><li>Event organisers</li><li>Event contributors</li><li>Town Council Staff</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Event Contributors to use of their own equipment.</li> <li>Cables will be either covered with matting and pinned, highlighted, or positioned along the edge of pathways/grass so as not to cause a trip hazard.</li> <li>PA staff are trained in the safe use of their own equipment</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Severity of hazard – LOW</li> <li>Impact – LOW</li> <li>Risk Level LOW</li> </ul>
Public gathering/the event	Contraction of COVID-19	Spread of COVID-19, resulting in illness and/or death	<ul> <li>Members of the public attending the event</li> <li>Town Council staff</li> <li>Event contributors</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The event is primarily outdoors – making contracting the disease unlikely.</li> <li>Most people are now vaccinated against COVID-19</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Severity of hazard – LOW</li> <li>Impact- LOW</li> <li>Risk Level - LOW</li> </ul>